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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mrs. Haddad of Somerset in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mrs. Haddad), the members, guests and employees joined with her in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

Resolutions.

Resolutions (filed with the Clerk by Mr. Hill of Ipswich and other members of the House) congratulating the Essex County Cooperative Farming Association on its one hundredth anniversary, were referred under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, then reported recommending that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Essex County Cooperative Farming.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Crocker of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3881) of William L. Crocker, Jr., (by vote of the town) that the town of Barnstable be authorized to restrict the use of certain land in said town; and

By Ms. Provost of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3882) of Denise Provost and others (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Somerville be authorized to impose fees on certain development projects to fund the Green Line Extension;

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Miss Gregoire of Marlborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3883) of Danielle W. Gregoire, James B. Eldridge and Carmine L. Gentile (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Marlborough be authorized to exempt all positions in the department of public works of said city from the civil service law. To the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Ms. Higgins of Leominster (by request) presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Lee Cook relative to prescriptions for testosterone therapy medications; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Barnstable,—land.

Somerville,— Green Line extension.

Marlborough,—civil service.

Prescriptions,—testosterone therapy.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill) of Michael D. Brady for legislation to further

Malt

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regulate temporary inventory adjustments of malt beverages, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

beverages, temporary inventory.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2153) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Reports of Committee.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on a petition, a Bill relative to motor vehicle excise taxes (House, No. 2726).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing an auction or online transfer for low number registration plates in the Registry of Motor Vehicles (House, No. 2732).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish regional transit authority enterprise fund (House, No. 2751).

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to preserve historic markers (House, No. 2756).

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Excise tax,— motor vehicles.

Registration plates,— low numbers.

Regional transit authority fund.

Historic markers.

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill designating a certain park in the town of Hingham as the Eugene F. Creedon Memorial Park (see House, No. 3708, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Weymouth,— Creedon memorial park.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Richard Capone, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (see House, No. 3722, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Richard Capone, sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Linda Boudria, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (see House, No. 3795), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Linda Boudria, sick leave.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Edward Gates, an employee of the Department of Environmental Protection (see House, No. 3796,

Edward Gates, sick leave.

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amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Senate bills

Establishing a sick leave bank for Renee Salisbury, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (Senate, No. 2101, amended); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Michelle Dancy, an employee of the Department of Mental Health (Senate, No. 2116);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Third reading bills.

The House Bill renaming Muddy pond in the city known as the town of Barnstable to be called Crocker pond (House, No. 3679) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Barnstable,— Crocker pond.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

"Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to rename forthwith a certain great pond, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3679, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next sitting.

At fourteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Orrall of Lakeville (Mrs. Haddad of Somerset being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.